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# **Frequently Asked Questions**

- 1. How do I edit my workshop details after it has already been approved and published?
  - Send an email explaining the requested changes to <u>cashforcollege@csac.ca.gov</u>.
     Commission staff will obtain approval from your RCO, if applicable, and update your event details online.
- 2. How do I order Cash for College promotional materials?
  - a. All approved and registered sites receive an email order form for folders, T-shirts and Fund Your Future Magazines. Sites may also download a high-resolution logo and poster from the Cash for College webpage <a href="http://www.csac.ca.gov/doc.asp?id=1335">http://www.csac.ca.gov/doc.asp?id=1335</a>. Due to limited supply inventory, sites may not receive requested supplies reflected on order form.
- 3. Where do I find the Cash for College poster?
  - a. You may download the poster from: http://www.csac.ca.gov/doc.asp?id=1335.
- 4. Do students have to register to attend my workshop?
  - a. No, it is not mandatory for students to register to attend your Cash for College workshop. However, if students do register it will be easier to communicate and track their participation.
- 5. Is there a Cash for College scholarship this year?
  - a. No, the grant funding that provided scholarships ended in previous Cash for College workshops is no longer available.
- 6. How do I qualify for the site support funding?
  - a. To qualify for potential site support funding, sites shall comply with:
    - i. Have <u>at least</u> 30 students participate in a workshop and complete a paper exit survey. (No combining workshops allowed to meet 30 students.)
    - ii. Provide a computer lab environment.
    - iii. Remit original workshop sign-in sheets.
    - iv. Provide original paper exit surveys to the commission within 5 business days of the concluding workshop. Mailed surveys must be postmarked within the 5 days of the concluding workshop (to prevent delays, we ask that the surveys be legible).
    - v. Submit invoice to <a href="mailto:cashforcollege@csac.ca.gov">csac.ca.gov</a> between March 2, 2016 and March 11, 2016. Invoices received outside of these dates <a href="mailto:may">may</a> be considered.
- 7. Do I have a Regional Coordinating Organization?
  - a. You may see a complete list of counties covered by an RCO at: http://www.csac.ca.gov/ccfc.asp.

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- 8. I am not covered by an RCO. Who do I contact regarding my Cash for College workshop?
  - a. Contact the Statewide Cash for College Office (Commission) at <u>cashforcollege@csac.ca.gov</u> or call Carey Fong at 916-464-2644.
- 9. Will my site be provided volunteers or financial aid administrators to conduct my Cash for College workshop?
  - a. Sites that are covered by an RCO may coordinate these requests with the organization directly. Sites not covered by an RCO must contact the Commission directly. All requests are based on available resources.

### 10. Is there a wrapper code?

- a. No, there is no wrapper code this year. Sites will open the FAFSA, CA Dream, and Chafee application webpages for students to complete during the workshop.
  - i. FAFSA: www.fafsa.ed.gov
  - ii. CADA: https://dream.csac.ca.gov/ (Dream)
  - iii. Chafee: <a href="https://www.chafee.csac.ca.gov/StudentApplication.aspx">https://www.chafee.csac.ca.gov/StudentApplication.aspx</a> (Foster Youth)

For more detailed instruction on how to conduct your workshop, please see <u>Helpful</u> Hints and Instructions to Conduct your Cash for College Workshop.

#### 11. Where do I access the FAFSA presentation?

a. All materials and resources sites need to conduct a Cash for College workshop can be found on the Cash for College webpage at <a href="www.csac.ca.gov/ccfc.asp">www.csac.ca.gov/ccfc.asp</a> under "Host Resources".

#### 12. Are students required to complete an exit survey?

a. Yes. Students will complete paper exit surveys this year. These are available on the Cash for College webpage (at <a href="http://www.csac.ca.gov/doc.asp?id=1335">http://www.csac.ca.gov/doc.asp?id=1335</a>). Please note, sites must annotate their workshop ID# on the paper exit survey before making copies for students to complete. Workshop ID #s can be found on the site's order form.

#### 13. How is my workshop information tracked?

Each workshop is provided a Cash for College workshop ID# on their order form. Sites
will place this ID# on each exit survey and sign-in sheets so data specific to your
workshop can be tracked and reported.

#### 14. When will my site receive workshop statistics?

a. Commission staff will work diligently at processing each workshops' data upon receipt of
exit surveys and sign-in sheets. Data compiled will be matched against the
Commission's Grant Delivery System to report how many participating students were
offered a Cal Grant.



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- 15. How will my site know which students to follow-up with after the workshop?
  - a. New on the paper exit survey this year is a "Follow-up" check box at the top right-hand corner for students to request follow-up services. Sites will collect paper exit surveys before students leave the workshop and make copies. Sites will be able to make contact with students that requested follow-up services. If a student did not indicate they wanted follow-up but did not complete their applications, sites may want to ask students if they would like follow-up when they turn in their surveys.